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Stamp Collecting

Stamps to the right of us, Stamps to the left
of us;
Stamps for the youngsters and Stamps for
the old:
The lure of collecting has taken all ages;
The charm of a Stamp book can scarcely be
told.

From the far away Kingdoms, from little
known Countries,
From the oldest of nations, from those newly
born,
Come fluttering in like the flakes of a snow-
storm
Those magical bits that our letters adorn.

Some are as fresh and as clean as a sunbeam,
Others are valued because of their age.
Each one is tenderly handled and listed,
Each finds its own special place on the page.

The collecting of Stamps grips a boy's active
fancy,
And continues unquenched as the years roll
away;
'Tis a broad education, a pastime unequaled,
'Tis the finest of hobbies to round out a day.

—ELLEN S. KIMBLE

The Best Is The Cheapest



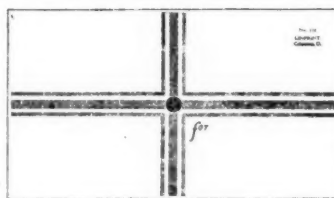
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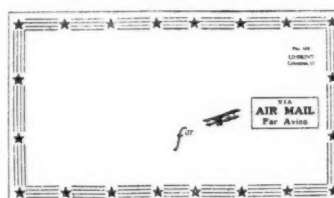
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The Hold-Up

By Captain A. C. Townsend



CHARLIE MYERS had become a hero over night. Yesterday he was but a modest citizen, unknown outside of his business circle and stamp and golf clubs. Today his name was blazoned by every morning and evening paper. Look at that heading on the first page of his own paper, which his wife had spread before him very early that morning—

BANDITS CAPTURED BY VICTIM

MR. CHAS. MYERS SLUGS AND SEIZES
HOLDUP MEN IN SPITE OF PISTOLS
POINTED AT HIM!

What a night and day it had been. Up until long after midnight, first with the bandits, then with the police, then the reporters and photographers, and then today at his office. What a day, what a day! Not a lick of work done, just a round of reporters and phone calls and personal calls from friends, a rush over to court to appear against the men and back to the office, with more calls and callers, and here it was six o'clock and he was just able to close up and skip out for home.

The story he had told was as simple as he could make it. He had been to call on a friend; arrived at his corner about 10:30; two men stepped from around the corner, poked guns at him and ordered him to stick 'em up. He complied quickly. One held a pistol on him while the other took his watch and pocketbook. As the pocketbook was being examined he suddenly lashed out, knocked one man down and pounced on the other, wrenched the pistol from him and cracked him over the head with it. Then, holding the pistol on the two men, he had whistled his familiar call up to his wife until she came to the window, told her to phone the police, and had guarded the two men until the police arrived. That was all there was to it!

The papers made a great todo. Mr. Myers was a hero, but a modest one. He was a pleasant appearing man, a mild mannered one, the last man who would be suspected of such an act of bravery. Neighbors who had been awakened and hurried down half dressed could only tell the first reporter that Mr. Myers was a fine neighbor, a most peaceable man, friendly to the children of the block and about the last one they would have expected to show such courage. That is, he had never had even an argument as long as they had known him, and they simply couldn't imagine him getting into a fight or row of any kind. "Well, I'll be darned! Myers! Who

would have thought it!" That summed up the general feeling about him.

At the office today he had received phone praise from some prominent citizens that made his ears burn, as well as from friends and even acquaintances, and he was heartily glad to close up and start for home. At the door he bumped into another man.

"Hello, Charlie! Couldn't get over any earlier and hoped I'd find you here. By jingo, but the stamp club is proud of you! Don't you skip the meeting tomorrow night or we'll all be out to your huse in a body. We are going to have a celebration. Boy, that was nerve! I would have dropped dead, I think. Tell me, Charlie, how did you ever get up nerve enough to buck two pistols?"

"Listen, Fred," said Myers earnestly, "I'm worn out and half dead. Got to get home to the wife and supper and try to catch up on sleep, but I'll be there tomorrow night and I'll tell you fellows the real story, but make 'em promise not to let it leak into the papers. Anyhow, they wouldn't believe it! Good-bye; see you tomorrow night."

He arrived early at the club the next evening, hoping to escape some of the hurrah, but an extra large number of the members were there ahead of him and there was a huge amount of yelling and hand shaking and back slapping, to his great distress. Finally the meeting was called to order by the President.

"Gentlemen," he said, "we are going to dispense with the regular order this evening. There is but one special piece of business before us. One of our members has shown conspicuous bravery and struck a noble blow against the crime rampant in our city. You have all read the newspaper accounts of what happened, but I understand that the real story has not been given, and I am now going to call on our member to tell us what really happened, with our sacred promise that the story is not to get to the newspapers. Charlie Myers, we are proud of you. You have the floor."

Myers stood blushing wildly over the tumult of applause and finally held up both hands in a mute appeal for silence. When he finally got it he suddenly grinned in their faces. "It is really comical, fellows," he said, "I'm no fighter; I never had a fight before in my life, that I can remember. But I am a stamp collector and something happened that made me go wild for a minute, and that was enough. Here is the story:

"I had been over to Joe's house and bought a couple of stamps we had been dickering over. They cost me \$42 and I was pretty happy over them. Had only three or four dollars left in my pocketbook.

Most of you know I live in a corner apartment, third floor. I had just gotten to the house when those two birds flocked on me from around the corner and made me stick 'em up. I didn't like it a darn bit, but what can a fellow do with two guns on him?

"One of them kept a gun on me while the other frisked me. Took my watch and chain and the loose money from my pants pocket, then slapped my hips and dug out my pocketbook. They were disgusted and cussed me out when they found how little there was in it. Those two stamps were in a flap, in a glassine envelope, and I asked the fellow if I could have the empty pocketbook. He wanted to know why and I told him there were a couple of stamps in that envelope that I wanted. He pulled out the envelope, said something about my being a blankety blank piker, and started to tear up the envelope.

"How I did it I don't know, but I had to save those two stamps, and I smacked that fellow so quick and hard he must have thought lightning struck him. Then, doubled over as I was, I poked the other fellow in the tummy before he got into action, grabbed his gun and put him to sleep—and that was all there was to it! I whistled up to my wife, she called the station, they radiod and a squad car hustled up pretty soon. I left the pocketbook on the sidewalk for them to see as evidence, but those stamps were in my vest pocket, safe and sound!"

When the cheering and laughter had died down Myers added: "Now keep it dark, fellows. If the papers heard that I had risked my life for a couple of cancelled stamps I'd never hear the last of it. But any of you would have done the same thing."

The World in Review

A FORECAST AND A RECORD

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Timely, authentic and complete information on new issues, unlisted varieties, projected philatelic events, etc., is the aim of this department. We will deeply appreciate all contributions of this nature from our readers, and full credit will be given in each case. All contributions should if possible be accompanied by specimens of the stamps concerned, which will be returned promptly.

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UNITED STATES

Von Steuben Plate Numbers are given by Philip Ward in Mekeel's this week. There were eight plates used, their numbers being 20267-8-9-70 and 20281-2-3-4. From the same source we learn that the following plate numbers of the Sullivan stamp were prepared but never used: 19787-98-99-800-801.

The Pulaski commemorative is out by now, and the first day cover fans have all seen it. We rather take pride in the great number of collectors from almost every state in the Union who took up our offer to give them advance information on this stamp. We sent out scores of letters, and to the best of our knowledge every one reached its owner in time for him to get his first day covers. In this connection we wish to express our appreciation to the many friends who helped get US this information so

early, among whom are C. E. Nickes, Philip Ward, Elliott Perry, H. M. Southgate, The Hon. F. A. Tilton, Mrs. Robert Wallace and Mrs. H. S. Kasabosky. As we have said before, generous cooperation is the heart and soul of philately.

AUSTRALIA

Whitfield King & Co. report having received the 2 pound high value in the current postal series on the new multiple crown A watermarked paper. Color carmine and black.

BELGIUM

The Philatelic Magazine tells us that new plates are being prepared for printing the current air mail series (No. 531-4). These will have the code letters on the wings of the airplane changed to indicate those of Belgium instead of Italy. These initials, "I. B." have caused so much comment that the authorities evidently decided in disgust to change them rather than to explain that they did not stand for Italy, but for "Independence Belgique", as was rather cleverly put forth.

The current Special Delivery stamps (No. 500-3) will also have a change in all future printings, as the word "Express" is to have an s dropped so that it will read "Expres".

BRITISH GUIANA

This country, author of the world's greatest rarity, may issue a rather interesting series of commemoratives this year. The Philatelic Magazine reports that there

NEW ISSUES

Albania new aeros. 5q to 3f, 7 var.	\$2.00
New postage. 1q to 5f, 11 var.	3.40
Austria Charity. 10g to 1sch, 6 var.	1.00
Azores. A64. 50c, 1.25E, 2 var.	.14
Belgium Charity. 10c to 5f, 7 var.	.60
Canada. A59. 5c violet, flat plate	.06
New aero. 5c gray brown	.06
New 12c, 20c, 2 var.	.38
New 50c at 60c; \$1 at	1.20
Cyrenaica, Eritrea, Somaliland, Tripolitania Militia issue, 4 var. each set, Each	.70
Dutch Indies Charity. 4 var. complete	.25
Aero issue, AF1. 30c on 40c rose	.18
Ecuador, Centenary Comm., 12 var.	3.00
Latvia new charity, 10 var. complete	.80
Mexico aero. 15c rose, rouletted	.10
Portugal. A64. 25c, 50c, 7c; 75c, 1.25E	.15
Venezuela Bolivar Comm., 5, 10, 25b	.12
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is being considered such a set to mark the centenary of the union of the counties Demarara, Essequibo and Berbice into the one colony of British Guiana in 1831. The Victoria Philatelic Society of Georgetown submitted some attractive pictorial designs to the Government some two years ago, and these may be used now.

BRITISH HONDURAS

Philatelic Magazine reports that the forecast new air post series for this colony has been deferred for some time. The reason appears to be that the Home Government rather frowns on Colonial air stamps, giving the reason that no special stamp is necessary for that service. The same reason has kept them from having a British airport set. True, all too true, but conservatism can be carried too far. We still hope to see this series.

CHILE

We also have a note from Philatelic Magazine stating that they have seen the current 1p, 2p and 5p airport stamps with the overprint in a new setting, letters being wider apart, and a full stop after "AEREO".

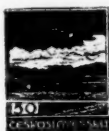
COLOMBIAN REPUBLIC

Mr. Daniel Jacoby has shown us an air cover dated Dec. 20th, 1930, bearing one of the new Bolivar Commemoratives. This is the only one we have seen from Colombia, but it is a beautiful work of art. It is a large transverse rectangle, line engraved by Waterlow & Sons with the border in deep blue and the central design in black. At the top are the dates 1830-1930. The center depicts the death of Simon Bolivar with a group of officers and attendants around him. At least a dozen persons are shown, in addition to many other objects, yet every last detail is clear as a cameo. It is a striking lesson in what can be done in making fine postage stamps. Underneath the picture are the words, "Muerte de Bolivar—17 Diciembre 1830". This is a postage, not an air stamp.

4c deep blue and black

CZECHOSLOVAKIA

From Mr. S. Bendet and R. Roberts we have received the new airport series consisting of eight values. These are unusually handsome, both colors and engraving being excellent. The series was issued on December 16, 1930, as shown by Mr. Bendet's first-day cover. The two lowest values are small in size, 17½x21mm while the rest measure 32x21½mm. All are on unwatermarked paper, perf. 14. Four designs are used as shown below:



- 50h green (I)
- 1k carmine (I)
- 2k dark olive (II)
- 3k claret (II)
- 4k deep blue (III)
- 5k red brown (III)
- 10k bright ultramarine (IV)
- 20k dark violet gray (IV)

FRANCE

We have received from Lesgor & Reel and Mr. R. Roberts two additional values in the Colonial Exposition set. These are of the same type illustrated in our Dec. 27th number:

- 40c dark brown
- 1.50f bright blue

INDIA—Bhopal

Stamp Collecting reports two new official stamps. These are similar to Type A25 but have the words "Postage and Revenue" instead of "Revenue and Postage" on the left side. They are overprinted in the same manner as Type O-1.

- 1a carmine
- 4a brown.

ITALY

We have from Mr. R. Roberts a new value in the current airport series in the same small format: AP3 10L bright rose.

LATVIA

Economist Stamp Co. submits ten-value anti-tuberculosis charity series which we forecast Nov. 29th.

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647 2c Hawai'n	.32	657 2c Sullivan	.18
1309 10c Lindb.	.60	648 5c Hawai'n	.40
1306 10c map	.60	1307 15c air mail	.80
1304 16c blue	1.00	1305 24c carm.	1.60
3298 1c Shang.	6.00	1303 8c green	.60
651 2c Clark	.16	1300 6c orange	1.50
649 2c Aeron's	.15	3299 2c Shang.	6.00
646 2c Molly P.	.15	650 5c Aeron's	.32
643 Vermont	.20	645 Val. Forge	.15
629 3c Wht. Pl.	.20	644 Saratoga	.15
627 Lib. Bell	.20	631 1½c Rot'y	.20
620 2c Nor.-Am.	.75	imp.	.20
617 1c Lexing'n	.25	628 5c Ericsson	.40
614 1c Walloon	.80	621 5c Nor.-Am.	2.00
612 Hard'g imp.	.35	619 5c Lexing'n	.90
590 9c perf.	10 1.00	618 2c Lexing'n	.35
587 6c perf.	10 .85	616 5c Wall'n	1.00
577 2c imperf.	.20	615 2c Wall'n	.85
544 1c perf.	11 .30	611 2c Harding	.30
529 3c offset	.35	588 7c perf.	10 1.00
518 11 vi.-blk.	8.00	576 1½ imperf.	.30
513 13c, us., fn.	.90	525 1c offset	.35
509 9c salmon	.90	513 13c ap.-gr.	1.25
501 3c violet	.30	512 12c carm.	1.00
483 3c imperf.	.50	499 2c carmine	.20
473 11c per.	10 2.40	482 2c imperf.	.20
428 5c perf.	10 .90	426 3c perf.	10 .50
415 9c salmon	2.25	416 10c yellow	1.75
408 1c imperf.	.35	406 2c carmine	.35
338 10c orange	3.25	337 8c olive	2.75
334 4c brown	.90	331 1c green	.20
1450 1c P. Post	.15	301 2c 1902	1.25
1452 8c P. Post	.60	1459 50c P. P.	8.75
1460 75c P. P.	8.75	1951 10c Reg.	1.00

NOVA SCOTIA

1 1p red, brown, used	.....	\$12.50
2 3p blue, used	.....	3.00
3 3p dark blue, used	.....	4.50
4 6p yellow, green, used	.....	15.00
8 1c black on white, unused, 60; used	.....	.75
Same, unused blocks of four	.....	2.50
9 2c lilac, used	.....	.75
10 5c blue, used only	.....	.50
11 8½ green, unused	.....	.65
12 10c vermilion, unused, \$1.40; used	.....	1.40
13 12½c black, unused	.....	1.50

PRINCE EDWARD ISLANDS

4 1p orange, unused, \$1.50; used	\$1.35
5 2p rose, used70
6 3p blue, unused, 38c; used	1.50
7 9p green, unused, \$1.25; used	1.40
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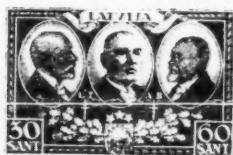
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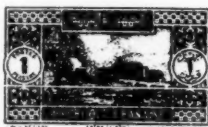


- 1s red-violet and orange
- 2s orange-yellow and orange
- 4s deep green and scarlet
- 5s emerald green and black brown
- 6s dark olive and olive bistre
- 10s carmine-red and black
- 15s brown-red and olive green
- 20s bright rose and deep black

- 25s blue-green, deep violet and scarlet
- 30s light ultra. greenish-black and violet brown.

LEBANON

Another value in the current postal series comes from Mr. R. Roberts:



1p dark green.

LUXEMBURG

Lesgor & Reel send us two new stamps of a simple design, presumably postage, tho they bear no wording of any kind except the name of the country and the value. Unwatermarked, perf. 12½x13:



- 5c red-brown
- 10c olive green

MADAGASCAR

Mr. R. Roberts and the Economist Stamp Co. have sent us the new long postage series recently forecast. They are brilliant in color and of large size, but the typography is nothing to praise.



Unwatermarked, on thin wove paper, perf. 13½ the short way by 14 the long way. Designs are four and may be determined by refer-

ring to the cuts; border color is given first:

- 2c dark brick-red and brown (I)
- 4c dark brown and violet (I)
- 5c light green and red (II)
- 10c salmon red and dark green (III)
- 15c carmine rose (IV)
- 20c bistre-brown and blue (II)
- 25c dull lilac and dark brown (III)
- 30c dark green-blue (IV)
- 40c green and carmine (I)
- 45c dull violet (IV)
- 65c brown and red-lilac (II)
- 75c dark brown (IV)
- 90c dark brick-red and red. (II)
- 1f bistre and dark blue (III)
- 1.50f dark blue (I)
- 5f bright lilac and brown (I)
- 20f yellow brown and dark blue (I)

NEWFOUNDLAND

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MEXICO

The Lesgor News Reel states that a new air-post stamp of 5c value and orange in color is soon to appear. Design the same as at present. They also report the discovery of a single sheet of the 5c Carranza airmail, overprinted "Habilitado 1930" with a double overprint.

MOZAMBIQUE

Mr. R. Roberts sends us the third one of the large Mousinho de Albuquerque stamps, this time with the name of yet another battle in the bottom label. We illustrated this stamp Oct. 11 and all three have been of the same design, but different colors and with different battles named:

50c claret, red and brown-black (Battle of Coolela).

NICARAGUA

The Philatelic Magazine warns us that dangerous forgeries have appeared in large numbers of the recently issued air-post surcharges, Scott's No. 707-8.

NORWAY

Stamp Collecting reports that all stocks of Norway's only air stamp, the pretty little No. 501, are exhausted, and that no more will be printed, as they are not considered necessary.

PANAMA

This country observed the centenary of the death of Bolivar by overprinting the 4c gray of the 1926 series (No. 247) with a fancy black inscription reading: "1830-1930—17 de Diciembre—Un Centesimo" in three lines. We have not heard whether there are additional values.

1c on 4c gray.

PAPUA

We correct a statement made in our Dec. 27th chronicle regarding the new air-post series. The 6p and 1sh values are of the Harrison printing, only the 3p being of the Ash printing.

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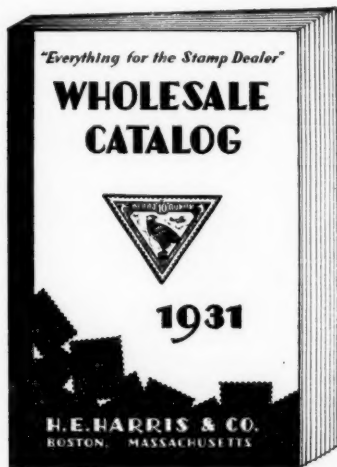
Stamp Imports, Inc., have shown us the Bolivar Centenary set from this country, and while the symbolism of the design is beautiful, yet the work is such a wretched job of typographing that they are



not at all attractive. Four values in the set, probably issued in haste,

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judging from their appearance. They are of large size, 25½x 35mm on unwatermarked paper perf. 12. Design the same for all values:

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15c dark blue.

SOUTH WEST AFRICA

Lesgor & Reel send us the ½p current South Africa stamp of the rotary press printing overprinted at the foot "S.W.A."

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A6 ½p green and black

SUDAN

Stamp Collecting reports that pending issue of the new air post design, some of the current postage values of 10m and 2p will be overprinted for air-mail use. These are to be available this month.

TUNIS

Economist Stamp Co. submit a new surcharged postal value. This is the 40c brown of the 1926 series surcharged with two bars and the new value like No. 109:

A-11 50c on 40c deep brown.

URUGUAY

The Philatelic Magazine tells us of a new proposed charity issue. The scheme is to affix one of these stamps to all foreign paper entering the country, the proceeds going to establish a pension fund for Uruguayan journalists.

VENEZUELA

Stamp Imports, Inc., send us a

really quite handsome Bolivar Centenary set from this country. Three values all the same design, locally produced. They show the great Liberator in three-quarter length. Really they remind one of the handsome Belgian "Three Kings" set of last summer. Unwatermarked, perf. 12:



0.05B orange yellow
0.10B deep blue
0.25B carmine

THE U. S. ENVELOPE SOCIETY

On Friday evening November 28th, 1930, there was organized in Boston, Mass., the "U. S. Envelope Society", by an enthusiastic group of "envelope" and "cut Square" collectors working to the end that the U. S. Envelope stamps may be placed in their proper light before the collectors of the country and endeavoring to regain for them the popularity that their interesting features and beauty of designs, color and papers properly entitle them.

The following declaration of purpose adopted by the Society at its first meeting will prove of interest to all collectors:—

Whereas—We believe the collecting of U. S. Envelopes, cut squares and other Postal Stationery one of the most interesting and worth while branches of Philately and

Whereas—The average collector hesitates to include envelope stamps in his collection because of

1st—The lack of knowledge by collectors in general of the envelope stamps.

2nd—The general absence of informative or encouraging articles in various Philatelic Magazines.

3rd—The discouraging references in catalogues, etc., concerning minor varieties, die variations, papers, shades, colors, etc.

4th—The inability to secure reliable information and advice concerning Postal Stationery.

Therefore—It shall be the purpose of this Society to further this branch of Philately by:—

1st—The meeting of Local Postal Stationery collectors on the 2nd Friday of each month.

2nd—The writing and publication of informative and educational articles in the various Philatelic Magazines.

3rd—The inviting of interested collectors in all part of the country to associate with us by correspondence.

4th—The sending of reliable information on all matters pertaining to this branch of Philately to any collector desiring aid in identifying dies, papers, colors, etc., they to pay return postage only.

It is to be distinctly understood that this society does not sell envelopes, cut squares or any other postal stationery and shall not in any manner conduct commercial transactions.

All correspondence and inquiries should be addressed to R. E. Hines, 70 Ardell St., Atlantic, Mass., and return postage and insurance fee (if desired) enclosed.

MAC LAREN ENTERTAINS
YOUNGSTOWNERS

"Fifty Years of Stamp Collecting" was the subject of the talk given by W. W. MacLaren, "The Stamp Hunter", of Cleveland, to the Mahoning Valley Stamp Club at a recent meeting in Youngstown, Ohio. The start was made, that half-century ago, when he had a red German stamp, and his chum had a red Austrian stamp, and they both pasted them into a used copy-book. When, in the course of time, the friendship ended, and the collection was divided, by the formula of "one for you and one for me", Mr. MacLaren, who had drawn the longer straw, took first the prize stamp of the collection, one from New Zealand, worth about two cents then, and worth today about two cents, but valued for its far distant source. Those were the days when a complete international album was not very large, and one stamp, regardless of condition, was pasted in each space with mucilage, or flour and water, or, if you were very particular, as Mr. MacLaren was, with gum arabic solution. I used white-egg thirty years ago.)

He told of helping to found the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club of Cleveland forty years ago, the club with the second longest record of continued existence in the United States; he still belongs to it.

Patriotic covers and old postmarks were the points of interest in the volume of his new cover collection which he exhibited after his talk. The black flag, skull and cross-bones and all, horrid emblem of piracy, printed on one upper corner of an envelope that had a U. S. stamp in the other and had carried a letter through the mail, was a puzzler. The words, "J. D., His Marque", under the skull and cross-bones, meant nothing to most of us. Mr. MacLaren explained: It was used in the North during the Civil War; "J. D., His Marque", seventy years ago, intimated that President Jefferson Davis was no better than a buccaneer. Other envelopes, printed in colors, showed various buxom Liberties upholding the star-spangled banner, a flag with the Liberty cap on top of its pole, and even Martha Washington, resplendent in red, white, and blue. The 2nd Regiment, New Hampshire Volunteers, had a border of red, white, and blue tablets all around their envelopes, bearing the names of the states. Abe Lincoln and his flatboat, with an artistic rail fence border, was printed in black and white on another, and there were pictures of the Capitol at Washington, and of the battle of the Merrimac.

After the war, campaign envelopes carried on the work of making the mail picturesque.

Grant and Colfax appear, and Messrs. Black and Russell, the Prohibition candidates for president and vice-president in 1872.

One of the few Quaker postmarks of the country was in the collection, an envelope from Sandy Springs, Md., stamped 6th month instead of June. A few postmarks showed the postmaster's name, and sometimes the name of the county, too, as well as the town name; but the year wasn't shown! Stamps before the Civil War were stuck in any corner of the envelope, or the middle of the top.

Small envelopes, decorated with embossing, used by the ladies in the "fifties", filled another volume. Mr. MacLaren mounts his covers with two gummed corners, so they are easily removed if there is anything of interest on the other side, each on a sheet of ordinary blank letter-paper, rather heavy but inexpensive, about 5½x7½ inches, the sheets held in a thick loose-leaf binder.

It was a great evening for the club; there were about thirty-five present. The Youngstown papers gave the event good publicity. President H. C. Buttermore has planned a series of interesting programs for the bi-weekly meetings.

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As stated in the last notice of this society the regular semi-annual get together party of the Yorkville Stamp Society was held on January 2nd, 1931. The club-rooms of the society were filled to capacity, and a good time was had by all. During the get together it was pointed out that the membership of the society increased by about forty during the past year. It is expected that as many more will be enrolled as members by the time the regular May banquet takes place. This increase of membership was caused solely through the efforts of the membership in their desire to make this society the largest local society in the City of New York.

The membership campaign is under way, and about one thousand invitations have been prepared and will be mailed to as many collectors throughout the City with the hope that they will avail themselves of the invitation to visit us. There is no question that they will enjoy themselves. However, this does not mean that only those receiving invitations are welcome. Any reader of this magazine who cares to visit us is welcome, and need not wait for the printed invitation.

The attention of the membership and all readers of this magazine is called to the fact that on the 30th of January, 1931, Mr. F. R. Ferryman, treasurer of the "Yorkville" will exhibit and lecture on the History of the original Postage Stamp. This will be followed by a general discussion, of the topic, and the answering of any and all questions which may be put to him. Mr. Ferryman is a specialist in this phase of collecting, and it will be a real treat to all those who are present on that day. The exhibition and lecture will commence at about 9:00 P. M.

In addition to stamps, it appears that tired collectors are now also turning their attention to Chess, and a visitor to our club-rooms will, after the meeting is over, see many chess games in progress. By reason of the latest

desire of stamp collectors our society has purchased for the use of the members a number of chess boards and the other necessary implements for the game.

Any stamp collector to whose attention this may come is invited to attend one or more of our meetings in order to help him decide whether he would care to join this society.

THE LONDON INTERNATIONAL STAMP DEALERS' BOURSE, 1931

The Committee of the London International Stamp Dealers' Bourse have fixed upon Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, May 18th, 19th and 20th for the London International Stamp Dealers' Bourse of 1931. The venue, as before, will be the large and palatial King's Hall of the Holborn Restaurant, conveniently situated at the junction of Kingsway, Southampton Row, New Oxford Street, and High Holborn.

Mr. Frank Godden, having been President for three years, thought the honour should go round. He therefore proposed Mr. P. L. Pemberton, who was unanimously elected as President for 1931. Mr. Godden will remain an active worker for the Bourse, as a member of the Sub-committee, which consists of Messrs. P. L. Pemberton, Frank Godden, F. B. Smith, and A. H. Harris. Mr. Sydney Homsy, and Mr. Willy Jacoby have been added to the main committee, which is now constituted as follows:

Messrs. T. Allen, L. Gill, Geo. C. Ginn, F. Godden, C. H. Greenwood, A. H. Harris, S. Homsy, W. Jacoby, O. Marsh, H. Nissen, P. L. Pemberton, F. B. Smith, and F. H. Vallancey.

The Honorary Secretary is Mr. Albert H. Harris, 112, Strand, London, W. C. 2.

RADIO PROGRAM FOR JANUARY 24th

The sixth number of Ralph A. Kimble's radio stamp talks will be given over Station WMAQ, the Chicago Daily News, Saturday afternoon, January 24th, at 4:45 central standard time. He will take up the Ohio River Canalization (try to say that fast!) Stamp this time and in addition to telling the philatelic facts will say a little about the romantic history of that portion of the country. Tune in on WMAQ and hear him. He tells us that he is giving away some special sort of premium to those who listen in, but you will have to hear him yourself to get the details.

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EDITORIALS

CURRENT COMMENT Some collectors give us—, while others highly approve of our outspoken method of talking right out in meeting on most any subject that comes up in this little world of stamp collecting. We are condemned by some for talking society politics, yet being a member of the various societies we feel that we are entitled to speak our mind and our columns are open at all times for those who disagree with us. We are firm believers in action in the various stamp societies. We believe action will hold the attention of the membership better than non-resistance. One staunch supporter of the A. P. S., a dealer-collector of the old school, highly commends us for our publication of matters that have a bearing on the society activities. We are assured in another letter from a prominent dealer that the publication of Mr. Barnums' tirade (if you want to call it that), is a good thing, for "the American Philatelist does not print in full the Chapter reports but devotes a line or two to each chapter".

An Official Organ could best "organ" if it would print the activities of the various branches, in order that collectors in all parts of the country might know what their brothers are doing, rather than run much of the matter that now fills its columns. That is a thought that might bear chewing over.

We have no apologies to offer for our interest in the A. P. S. We have been a member for many years, never an office seeker, yet always interested in the affairs of the society, ever in the belief that a stamp collector's society should be run by stamp collectors just as a stamp dealer's society should be run by stamp dealers.

As N. R. Hoover says, Linn's Weekly Stamp News is "quick on the trigger", which may account for much of what we have to say in this column from time to time.

AN UNFAIR Editor Fennel of the American

COMPARISON Philatelist, who by the way, we have always considered as a friend, and we still feel that way about Adolf, throws the hats of both Gus Mosler and Doc Hennan in the political ring of the A. P. S. by announcing that the coming A. P. S. Election is to be a battle royal, but that the American Philatelist will take no sides in the affair.

Then Adolf, being a "Zinnatian", proceeds to print what he offers as a Political Platform for each of the aspiring candidates. But as we said, being a "Zinnatian", he just couldn't help but make Gus Mosler's Platform sound the best.

The word is going around that an effort is being made to elect a candidate who will hog tie the Sales Department and deliver it bound and gagged to the "secret eleven", this mythical body is supposed to be a gang of New York dealers who hope to get a strangle hold on the sales department.

Mr. Fennel announces on behalf of Mr. Mosler that, Gus will reappoint Guest. The inference is then left that Hennan is the Gunman who will do the dirty work.

We hope to have a statement from Dr. Hennan as regards his position in the matters that are of interest to the members.

In the statements concerning the eligibility and qualifications of both Mr. Mosler and Mr. Hennan, it is stated that Mr. Mosler "has a large specialized cancellation collection of Austria that is considered one of the finest in the world". As regards Mr. Hennan, Mr. Fennel says—"Dr. Hennan has made the stamps of the Netherlands his specialty for years and wrote a book on Curacao". Surely an enlightening remark regarding the exceptionally remarkable work and research that has been done by Dr. Hennan in this field. His endeavors in Philatelic Research stamp him as one of the outstanding students in Philately and he deserves the greatest praise for his efforts.

We hope to see Dr. Hennan's platform written by a Chicagoan.

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the matters that are of vital interest to the members we are still straddling the fence with a leg on either side.

A PUBLISHER OF A MONTHLY hobby paper has just made a discovery. In a letter of recent date discussing matters of general interest he says, "what has surprised me, is the attitude of stamp dealers that they will not either advertise or keep on sale or display a stamp publication for fear that their customers may discover that there are other stamp dealers. This is a spirit I have never seen in other lines of business. Nevertheless there are some that are not so narrow."

GIVE A HAND TO MRS. Kimble, none other than the mother of our able New Issue Editor, Ralph A. Kimble. We are pleased to use the front page of this issue of the News to present to our readers a poem by Ellen S. Kimble. We do not know that Mother Kimble is a stamp collector but doubtless she has an interest in stamps through the activities of her son and we know that she reads Linn's Weekly regularly.

"HAPPY NEW YEAR" IS A cancellation on a postage stamp on a cover from Schererville, Indiana. The postmark is dated January 1st, and the Happy-New Year is in two lines across the face of the stamp, the cancellation being in violet and the cover comes from William H. Gilley of Chicago. Surely this goes the "Santa Claus" and "Christmas" cancellation one better for it is an unique idea and it's new this year.

COVERS FROM SANTA CLAUS, Indiana, are at hand from Jas. F. Barry of New York, and Herman Boers of Detroit, while a pretty green cancellation on a Clark stamp, December 25, is from Warner Robison of Mentor, Ohio. Old Cap Hills remembers the Editor with a Christmas greeting card that got here too late to get in with the "gang" in our first tabulation. George Zimmerman sends a January 1st cover from Chicago, via the first Air Mail-Passenger Flight from Chicago to Kansas City.

DID YOU READ "AFTER 43 Years"? If not, go back two weeks and get the story. This is the first of a number of fiction stories on stamps and stamp collecting that we intend to publish. The story by Captain A. C. Townsend is an excellent one and we have copy on hand for others that are equally good. In fact, as Captain Townsend has been told, these stories are worthy of the best magazines in the United

States and we sometimes think maybe that is the reason they have been offered us for publication.

READ "THE HOLD-UP" IN THIS number. We almost believe any stamp collector, regardless of his reputation for bravery, would have done as Charlie Myers did. What do you think about it?

PRECANCEL NEWS

Information regarding precancels and notes of interest should be sent direct to the Editors of this column.

LAWRENCE BROTHERS, Editors
Anamosa, Iowa

Santa Claus has come and gone and left a host of new issues in our midst. Eastport, Me., for the first time in their history used precancelled stamps this Xmas, and nearly all values from the 1½c to the \$1.00 were used. We are indebted to L. H. Brown for this information.

Other new comers are Hilbert, Belleville and Mishicot, Wis., Vienna, Md., is out on type U 82, and Osborn, Mo., with no lines or bars on type U 54.

Oswego, N. Y., did itself proud by appearing on both the Von Steuben and Braddock commemoratives for Xmas. Canton, Ohio, and De Forest, Wis., also came out on the Von Steuben commemorative. Seldom are commemoratives precancelled, but when they are, nab them. They are worth 15c each.

These new precancel cities are always interesting, as it frequently enables you to possess a precancel from a city your friends lack. This of course, is always desired when rivalry among collectors exist.

Joe Garsick sent in a nice item. It was the current 9c stamp from East Hampton, Mass., in type U 73, showing an "h" in Mass. for an "a". It is a neat little error, and one that shows up clearly.

Chas. Metz reports that Utica, N. Y., precancels are appearing showing broken and missing bars. This is indeed very interesting as it presents the opportunity to build a "plate collection". San Francisco and Minneapolis are two cities, which at one time, were famous for plate breaks.

In sorting over a mixture of old U. S. Stamps we came upon a 5c Trans-Mississippi precancelled Chicago. This is an unlisted item, and such pieces are worth from \$10.00 to \$25.00. Look over your old U. S., you may find some that are real valuable.

FORTY MILLION PULASKI STAMPS

The Washington (D. C.) Herald of January 1st, contained an excellent picture of that friend of the collector, Mr. M. L. Eidsness, Jr., superintendent of the Division of Stamps. Mr. Eidsness was pictured holding in his hands a model of the picture from which the Pulaski portrait is to be made. It is stated that 40,000,000 of the stamps have been ordered printed.

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CAM No. 9 Extension

Official notice of the extension of this route on Feb. 2nd, has been given by the P. O. Dept. Special cachets will be furnished by the department for use at Grand Forks, N. D., Fargo, N. D., and Pembina, N. D., and by the Canadian Government for use at Winnipeg. Send your covers ready to go to the Postmasters already stamped.

First Canada-U. S. Transcontinental

With the opening of the No. 9 extension on Feb. 2nd, air mail from all eastern Canadian Provinces will pass through Windsor, to Chicago, and over No. 9 to Pembina, then to Winnipeg and the Canadian Northwest. Wonder if anyone will have a cover from Nova Scotia to Aklavik on this first flight. As stated last week the Border Cities Chamber of Commerce at Windsor, Ont., will sponsor a cachet on Feb. 1st, for the opening of this service, and this ought to be good. Send covers to Mabel O. Macdonald, 727 Giles Blvd., E. at Windsor. She will not receive postage due or personal checks for postage and don't ask for autographs. Collectors are here offered something worthwhile.

Combined Air Services

Opened on the route from Miami, St. Petersburg to Atlanta, on Jan. 1st, and brought a nice map cachet in green from Miami; a fine orange cachet in green and orange from Orlando, Fla., and a pictorial rectangular cachet in blue from St. Petersburg, the vacation city.

About Feb. 1st, CAM No. 3, N. A. T. will inaugurate this service from Kansas City to Dallas. Soon there will be mail as well as passenger service from Kansas City to Denver, date uncertain. Also 24 hour service on CAM No. 34. Covers for all of these will be taken care of by Rex O. Copp, 1933 North 14th St., Kansas City, Kans., but be sure to mark each cover for what event on which you want each of them sent.

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Trade Wind Flight

Shortly after collectors received back their remittances for cards to have been carried, off hops the Trade Wind for Bermuda, with McLaren and Hart as pilots. They flew around about 15 hours but didn't find the islands and returned. Perhaps they might have had better luck if they had carried our cards, and ought to have had enough to buy another sextant.

Italian Armada Flight

Today (Jan. 7th) comes the good news that the Italian planes on their flight to Brazil, landed ten of their twelve planes safely at Natal, Brazil. That is surely a great event in aviation, which required long preparation and we shall listen for covers carried on this history-making hop.

Ladies' Endurance Flight

Edna May Cooper and Bobbie Trout both well known pilots in the Lady Rolph plane are now (Jan. 7th) in the air trying to break all endurance flight records, at Los Angeles, Cal. This is being sponsored by Joseph Martin.

Byrd Covers

Admiral Byrd will be at Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 26 and 27, and the Chamber of Commerce sponsors a cachet for air mail on those days. Send to the Aviation Dept. of Chamber of Commerce, 1151 Broadway, Los Angeles, Cal.

Pasadena, Cal., will use a cachet and special envelope for Byrd's visit to that city on Jan. 23rd, and if you want it send six cents in stamps for postage and envelope to G. M. Quimby, 1527 Olive Drive, Pasadena, Cal.

Louisville, Ky., also will have a cachet for the Admiral on Feb. 9th, and you may send covers ready to go to Robt. Sales, 3 Walden Place, Louisville, Ky.

LaGrange, Ill., and the American Legion welcomed Byrd on Jan. 4th, and typewritten cachets were applied to air mail that day.

Thanks to Wm. L. LaRue for covers.

Orlando, Fla.

Will have a cachet for visit of the Florida Air Tour on Jan. 20th, and also one on March 1st, for the Second Anniversary of Air Mail service on March 1st, and covers for both of these will be taken care of by A. H. Baker, Box 588, Orlando, Florida.

The National Aircraft Show will be held at Detroit, Mich., Apr. 11-19, 1931, and probably be the only large exhibition of the kind during the year. No doubt a cachet will be used.

Harold Fluck sends me a cover carried on the Night Hawk on C. A. M. No. 9, on Dec. 31st.

Miami-Cayenne

D. H. Booth shows me cover carried on the first flight of F. A. M. No. 10, postmarked Nov. 10th, at Miami, and backstamped at Cayenne on Nov. 24th. They evidently refused to receive that mail on the first flight, and it was carried in on a later flight.

Thank You, Mabel O. Macdonald, Rex O. Copp, W. L. LaRue, Roger W. Helprin, M. S. Petty, D. E. Dickason, J. T. Nicholson, A. H. Baker, A. P. Kester, E. G. Emerson, H. B. Keene, Roy Peters, J. H. Strelow.

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NEW VARIETIES

Memphis, Tenn., coil 2c
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The above we dug up.

H. M. Southgate in Meekels offers some interesting side lights on the buro print possibilities with reference to the new 1½ and 4c issues. A possible 300 new varieties. Oh, what a want list.

Then there is the new contemplated Washington issue, scheduled for one year's use. Again we say, what a want list.

The White Rose Exchange of York, Pa., has been our favorite source for Buro oddities. Mr. Britcher sure celebrated the holidays when he sent in the last lot. We give you a partial list of some of the most interesting oddities.

B 11's

Cincinnati, Ohio, ord. 9c—Final "O" of Ohio broken thru on left bottom. This is regular as we have the 8c value as well.

St. Louis, Mo., B13, ord. 1c—Left side end stamp with a ¼" of the top line broken away.

New York, N. Y., ord. 1c—(New plate "N" of New York broken thru horizontally.

Chicago, Ill., ord. 1½c—Final "L" of Ill broken down to just a stub.

Des Moines, Iowa, ord. 6c—Lower corner of "D" broken away diagonally.

Boston, Mass., ord. 1½c—Only top line of first "S" of Mass left. This is quite a break.

Boston, Mass., ord. 7c—"T" of Boston so damaged as to place a good sized dot in between "T" and the pocket of "S".

Old Types

New Orleans, La., ord. perf. 10, 2c—New of New Orleans missing. A case of poor inking rather than a plate break.

Denver, Colo., ord. compounds. 1½c—Both stamps show the final "O" of Colo swollen all out of proportion.

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AN AIR-MINDED PRESIDENT

A new sidelight on Abraham Lincoln, in which he appears as the founder of the nation's air corps, is afforded by a letter which he wrote to General Winfield Scott at the outbreak of the Civil War and which has recently been presented to the Smithsonian Institution at Washington.

It seems that one Thaddeus C. Lowe, an aeronaut, had decided to make a balloon flight across the Atlantic, but the beginning of the war changed his plans. Lowe then tried to persuade General Scott to form a balloon corps for the Union Army. The aged general did not take kindly to the idea, and Lowe sought Lincoln's assistance.

Lincoln, in a note dated July 25, 1861, wrote:

"Will Lieutenant-General Scott please see Professor Lowe once more about his balloon?"

Then he took Lowe to call on the general, and as a result of the conference the Union balloon corps was organized with five balloons and fifty men. It caused the Confederates a vast amount of trouble during the operations in Virginia.

With a full-fledged war on his hands, Lincoln yet found time to interest himself personally in a new-fangled project of doubtful utility, and to see that it was given a trial.

Gentlemen in Washington today who haggle over the appropriations for the army and navy air corps could draw a moral from this incident, if they would.

—New York Evening Journal.

INDIANA STAMP CLUB HOLDS ELECTION

The year 1930 has been a very satisfactory one for the Indiana Stamp Club under the able leadership of Mr. L. O. Ward. Twenty new members were brought within the fold in the year just past. The Indiana Stamp Club of Indianapolis, was instrumental in successfully holding at Indianapolis a Tri State Stamp Meeting and Exhibition last June, which was an immense success and will probably be duplicated again this year.

Officers for 1931 have recently been elected as follows: Allen P. Vestal, President; Dr. Ert. J. Rogers, Vice President; Marion F. Clarke, Secretary; Everett R. Ryan, Treasurer. The Executive Committee consists of Harry M. Goold, LeGrand Payne and L. O. Ward.

Already the new president, P. Vestal is lining up the new club for a bigger and better year in 1931. The first speaker to come before the club is Eben H. Wolcott of Indianapolis who will speak January 16, on "Philatelic Investments." —Marion F. Clarke, Secy.

SIMON BOLIVAR

Simon Bolivar, the George Washington of Latin America is found pictured on many stamps of the Central and South American countries. The hundredth anniversary of his death, December 17, 1930, has been commemorated by various countries and by some by the issuance of special postage stamps. Venezuela issued an attractive set of three stamps for the occasion and Mr. Kimble lists them in the New Issue Column this week. The publishers are in receipt of a cover by Paquebot from Mr. George S. Chapman, bearing a complete set of the three stamps while from Mr. Nathan L. Levy of the Canal Zone Stamp Company of Gatun, Canal Zone, has come a first day cover, cancelled December 17, 1930, bearing a 1 centavo stamp, surcharged in honor of Bolivar. This stamp was issued for inland postage only. Collectors interested in one of these latter covers can refer to the advertisement of this Company in last week's News.

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106, 1.25; 111, 5; 112, 5; *113, 12; *114,
20; *115, 20; *116, 6; *117, 5; *118, 7;
*119, 7; *120, 10; *121, 10; *122, 12;
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NEWFOUNDLAND ESSAY

This country, which is the favorite of every collector, has produced one or two interesting essays—which, as every one knows, is a first cousin to a postage stamp. Any school-boy can stick stamps on a page, but the step beyond that requires just a bit more—the intelligent collector wants to show the thought behind the stamp itself and that includes essays. These are the finished designs produced by artists, usually an engraving company, to submit to the high posted office officials so that they may see just what the finished product will look like when reduced to size, perforated, and in right colors. A set of essays might well cost \$100 to produce as lots of time and thought are required in designing and they must be made by an experienced artist usually in water-colors or in wash drawing.

We take the following from Harry H. Huber's story on the Newfoundland essays in Mekeel's Stamp Weekly of Oct. 27.

"For the 15c air mail stamp the design selected was a representation of the Vicker-Vimy machine at Quidi Vidi, just before Capt. John Alcock and Lt. A. F. Brown took off on their successful trans-Atlantic flight on June 14, 1919.

The essay for the 15c airmail stamp, submitted in December, 1922, is in the same general type as the postage stamp of the 1923-24 pictorial series, measures 22½x13mm, and is known in the following color combinations:

Brown and blue, perforated 14x13½ comb.

Brown and black, ditto.

Red brown and gray, imperforate.

Although the brown and blue combination is in much better appearance the postage authorities selected brown and black as the colors in which the stamp should be printed, when ordered.

The vignette, within a transverse oval shows the Vickers-Vimy plane, in flight, among clouds, with hills in the background. In two curved lines, below is the inscription in color, "Vickers-Vimy aeroplane at Quidi Vidi—prior to first direct Atlantic flight."

Across the top of the stamp in graduate colorless caps conforming to the Vignette opening is "Aerial Service and in the upper corners the denominations "15" colorless, on horizontally lined squares. At the bottom of the stamp, in colorless caps, is "Newfoundland" the initial "N" and final "D" being larger than the other letters and occupying the two lower corners."

STAMP ROBBERY

Linn's Weekly has given valuable assistance in the past in broadcasting stamp thefts and is glad to print the following information regarding the theft of stamps in the hope that some reader may help the owner locate the thief.

Mr. J. J. Hoffman, of Evans City, Penna., reports as follows:

"They broke into my place of business and did not take anything else, only the stamps. The albums that I prized the most were:

1 Album of Bureau Print ordinaries, about 900 var. and 200 blocks.

1 Album of Bureau Coils 330 singles; 143 pairs; 82 gap pairs; 84 line pairs, and 12 line-and-gap pairs.

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The above three albums had a catalog value of about \$800.00.

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Anyone who is offered these precancel collections is urged to communicate with Mr. Hoffman immediately by telegraph.

DROUTH RELIEF STAMP

Washington, D. C., Jan. 14—Senator Ackerman, the Philatelic Congressman from New Jersey, introduced a bill in Congress proposing that the Postoffice Department overprint several billion 2c stamps with the words "Drouth Relief," the stamps to be sold at 3c each. Senator Ackerman believes that this method would raise several million dollars in a short time.

A POSSIBLE COMMEMORATIVE

President Hoover on December 22, accepted an invitation to attend and make an address at a celebration of Cornwallis' surrender at Yorktown, Va., to be held beginning October 19, 1931.

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The Salem (Mass.) High School Stamp Club is beginning its third year. Harvey Brooks is president; Donald Bixby, vice president and Edith Jones, Secretary. The membership is near 20 and is growing. Mr. Arthur Taylor, Chemistry teacher is the advisor for the club. This club is interested in hearing from other High School Stamp Clubs. Plans are already made for a stamp show and auction to be held early this year.



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STAMP CLUB HELPS

Entertainment or some sort of program at a stamp club meeting adds much of interest for many of the members. It is with this thought that the following list of questions is clipped from the Philadelphia Stamp Club Bulletin with the suggestion that you try them on your Club at an early meeting. The list was prepared by Mr. A. F. Henkels of the Philadelphia Stamp Club and is a very formidable set of questions that will tax the mind of the average collector. Answers to the questions will be published in a few weeks.

1. What country issued stamps perforated with square holes?
2. What country has an issue of stamps that are always found mutilated, either used or unused?
3. What country did not have its name on its stamps for eighty-four years?
4. What was the second country to issue a triangular stamp?
5. What country issued octagonal stamps perforated on each of the eight sides?
6. What country has issued the largest sized stamps?
7. What country issued stamps for 23 years, with nothing but figures of value on them?
8. Which was the first country to have a picture of a domestic animal on its stamps?

LANCASTER STAMP CLUB ELECTS NEW OFFICERS

D. E. Chichester, newly elected Secretary of the Lancaster (Pa.) Stamp Club advises the publishers of Linn's Weekly that the Lancaster Club is actively at work with a contest in the Club, the successful winner of which is to receive one of the prizes as offered by this Weekly. At a later December meeting the Club elected the following officers for 1931: A. L. Witmer, president; Dr. Arthur Gerhart, vice president; E. E. McLain, treasurer; D. E. Chichester, secretary and Guy Tweed, sales manager.

WARREN STAMP CLUB WILL CELEBRATE

The Fifth Anniversary Meeting of the Warren Stamp Club is announced for January 28, 1931, at 7 p. m., at the Warren Studio, Lincoln Building, 260 E. Market Street, Warren, Ohio. The boys in Warren plan to have a big celebration and have sent numerous invitations to prominent collectors in Northern Ohio. Prospective attendants should address F. L. Never, Secretary.

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